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WASHINGTON--SEN. CLAIR ENOLE, D-CALIF., SAID TODAY THAT U. S. INTELLIGENCE

OFFICIALS HAD MISTAKENLY ASSUMED THAT SOVIET STRATEGY WOULD NEVER CALL FOR OFFENSIVE
MISSILES IN CUBA.

THAT ASSUMPTION, HE SAID, WAS THE "FUNDAMENTAL FLAW" IN THE U. S. INTELLIGENCE-
GATHERING EFFORT IN CUBA PRIOR TO LAST OCTOBER'S CUBAN CRISIS.

ENOLE, IN AN INTERVIEW CARRIED OVER CALIFORNIA TELEVISION STATIONS, SAID THE
MISTAKE HAD BEEN POINTED UP IN A REPORT RELEASED RECENTLY BY THE SENATE PREPAREDNESS
SUBCOMMITTEE.

HE SAID THE COMMITTEE HAD SETTLED UPON AN ESTIMATE OF 17,500 TROOPS STILL IN
CUBA.

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